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Presidents Report

Our President has not provided a report for the newsletter at this point in time. The newsletter needs to go out today because of the deadline for upcoming elections.

Craig and the committee have been working on the Show Your Dirt event at Eastern Creek last weekend and the 4WD Adventure Show this weekend with Premier Events.

Craig has National Parks meetings via zoom and in person this week. There are also meetings with the ACMC.

There will be a lot to report in the next newsletter so watch out for his report then.

Spring Aerial Baiting Program

The National Parks and Wildlife Service (NPWS) Blue Mountains Branch will be undertaking its spring aerial baiting program from 5-16 September 2022. The program continues the twice-yearly landscape scale aerial baiting efforts conducted since the 2019-20 bushfires, which have resulted in fewer stock losses for neighbouring graziers, reductions in wild dog and fox sightings and increases in native species such as koalas and quolls. In the Central Tablelands LLS area the NPWS reserves to be baited are:

- Abercrombie River National Park and State Conservation Area
- Avisford Nature Reserve
- Blue Mountains National Park
- Capertee National Park
- Durridgere State Conservation Area
- Gardens of Stone National Park
- Goodiman State Conservation Area
- Goulburn River National Park
- Jenolan Karst Conservation Reserve
- Kanangra-Boyd National Park
- Mugii Murum-ban State Conservation Area
- Munghorn Gap Nature Reserve
- Turon National Park
- Wollemi National Park
- Yarrobil National Park

Aerial shooting

Aerial shooting of vertebrate pests is planned in the NPWS Mudgee area in October and November-December and in the NPWS Kanangra Area from 22-26 August and September/October

Mega Raffle Tickets still available

$5 - 1 ticket | $20 - 5 tickets | $40 - 12 tickets

Benefits website HERE

This raffle will be drawn at the AGM at Liverpool Catholic Club November 19th (not at the Adventure Show as previously advised)

ARB

35L Classic Fridge
RK11 – essentials recovery kit
RK12 – weekender recovery kit
Airlocker camping chair
ARB Toastie
10100376 – ARB Cooler bag
2 x 08500021 – ARB Car Seat Protector

THE 4WD ZONE - Bathurst 2795 - $199

Campfire Flinders 9 Piece Camp Cooking Set RRP $199

GME $440

GME 5 Watt Handheld UHF CB Radio (TX6600S)

LIGHT FORCE $814

20" (508mm) Dual Row LED Bar Black $660.00

ROK LED 20W Ultra Floods (2) $154.00

TORQIT - $450

Pedal Torq throttle controller valued at $399.00.

Torqit branded Gear
Pack 1
Beanie
Stubby Holder
Key Ring
2 Stickers
Pen
Pack 2
Beanie
Stubby Holder
2 Stickers
Pen

CLUB 4x4 - $90
Club 4x4 branded Gear
Pack 1
Beanie
Stubby Holder
Polo Shirt Size Large
Pack 2
Beanie
Stubby Holder
Polo Shirt Size XL
Pack 3
Beanie
Stubby Holder
Polo Shirt Size 2XL

Live traffic updates expanded to include

regional local roads

Real time traffic information will soon be available for motorists using local roads across 22 regional Local Government Areas (LGAs).

Minister for Regional Transport and Roads Sam Farraway said the NSW Government is expanding the Live Traffic NSW website and app to provide more reliable information to drivers, especially during emergencies like bushfires or floods.

“We have created a platform which allows councils to share real time live traffic information from their local roads into a central hub, which will give more information to motorists when they are travelling on the state’s network of regional highways,” Mr Farraway said.

“We’ve taken on feedback from communities and recommendations from the Royal Commission into National Natural Disaster Arrangements Report to develop ‘OneRoad’ a backend portal for councils to feed their data into Live Traffic NSW so road impacts across local and state roads are all in the one place.

“The initial 22 LGAs have been chosen in consultation with the NSW Police, RFS and SES with the view to have all 128 LGAs across the state on board by 2024.

“LGAs will continue to come onboard in stages, with the priority given to the regional councils who have been impacted most by bushfires and floods.

“In the event of road closures through floods or fires, they will no longer have to piece together information from different sources to work out what roads are open and safe to use.

Read the rest of the story HERE

Live Traffic NSW website
https://www.livetraffic.com/

Watagan's Road Closures

Follow a suggestion from a club member, HRFWDC contacted NPWS & Forestry Corporation about collaborating on map that showed the closures in the Watagan’s in both National Park and State Forest, to help people better understand the current closures.
As result the attached map has been produced, to provide better clarity.
MAP HERE

The key messaging remains **check the NPWS and FCNSW websites for alerts**

and closures when planning a trip. The situation is evolving and assessments are ongoing.
https://www.forestrycorporation.com.au/visit/closures

https://www.nationalparks.nsw.gov.au/alerts/alerts-list

Heaton State Forest remains closed.
Forestry are investigating a slip near Warrawolong. The road is currently closed at the immediate area.

Conditions off the main roads are still extremely slippery. During the week there was a triple zero call from 4WDer (not a member of a club) stuck in the Watagan's , emergency services responded & transported the driver from the forest.

Regards
Brock

| Brock Smith | 4WD NSW & ACT Inc. |Tel: 0439 036 077
| Hunter Region Secretary |
| DTU Subcommittee Secretary |

Digital Vehicle Registration takes off

More than 230,000 customers have signed up for Transport's new Digital Vehicle Registration (DVR) service since its launch in March.

"Feedback has been positive with customers saying that DVR is quick and easy to use. They appreciate having a digital reminder service that provides all the information they need to renew registration," said Katie Davis-Hall-Watson, Manager Licencing and Registration Products.

"DVR offers registration renewal reminders via email, MyService NSW Accounts and alerts from the Service NSW app. It also gives immediate access to a digital Certificate of Registration."

You are eligible for this service if you are the registered operator of a vehicle that can be renewed online. Companies are not eligible at this stage.

Once you sign up, registration reminders are sent:

- six weeks before registration is due
- two weeks before it is due
- the day after it is due (if not renewed by the due date).

Customers only have to opt in once and digital notifications start immediately for all eligible vehicles," said Katie.

After opting-in, customers will no longer receive renewal notifications by post as they will switch to digital notifications.

To sign up visit Digital Vehicle Registration on the Service NSW website.

Stay connected

Connect with us on social media to keep up-to-date on announcements, safety initiatives, community projects and news that impacts your industry.

A recent article with a few names you may recognise.

Engaging with Toyota Landcruiser enthusiasts

L to R - Matthew Cafe (Manager Partnerships), A/Sergeant Stephen Richards (NSW Police), Julhas Rahim (Technical Enquiries Officer), and Bob Fyfe (President Toyota Landcruiser Club of Australia).

On 4 July Matthew Cafe, Manager Partnerships, Julhas Rahim, Technical Enquiries Officer from Transport for NSW, and Acting Sergeant Stephen Richards from NSW Police appeared as guest panellists at Toyota Landcruiser Club of Australia's General Meeting.

The panel answered questions to more than 300 club members via livestream, ranging from towing, to vehicle modifications and historic registration.

"This is another way we're engaging with industry groups and utilising our excellent working relationship with NSW Police to promote road safety" said Matthew Cafe.

Transport for NSW is committed to building strong relationships with industry groups to help achieve good safety outcomes for the community.

Purchasing a puppy or kitten in NSW

Adding a new puppy or kitten to your family is an exciting time but it's important to check you are purchasing from a responsible breeder. The NSW Government has launched a campaign to help NSW consumers when making purchasing decisions.

How to avoid buying from a puppy factory

Do you know how to choose a responsible breeder? Time spent researching will help protect you and your puppy. Here are some tips to help:

- Visit where the puppy was bred or is being housed. Are the conditions clean and comfortable? Does the puppy's mother look healthy and happy? Can you interact with and meet her?
- Ask the breeder if they follow the mandated NSW Animal Welfare Breeding Code of Practice.
- By adhering to this Code, people involved in animal breeding demonstrate to the general community their concern for the welfare of the animals in their

care. Section 9 '*Transfer of Ownership'* contains details on ownership transfer
- Make sure the puppy is up to date with vaccinations, flea and worm treatments
- Research the breeder or seller. Check any reviews or ratings available
- Contact the breeder or seller if you have any other questions about the dog or puppy
- Find trusted sources of information to help you make a good decision, such as the RSPCA's Smart Puppy and Dog Buyers Guide
- Consider purchasing a pet from a rescue shelter

Be aware of puppy scammers - what you see is not always what you get

In 2021, the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission's (ACCC) Scamwatch received 3,332 pet scam reports with a total of over $4 million lost across Australia – an average of 9 people per day losing $1,200 each. The most common pets used in scams were puppies followed by kittens.

Avoid a scam – know the questions to ask before you make a purchase. The NSW Department of Primary Industries has produced a puppy buying checklist. Download your copy HERE and know what to ask.

At the August meeting there were some flyers from the NSW Rural Fire Service. Here is the digital copy, you may find them of interest

01 - Caravan & Camping Bush Fire Safety
02 - Bush Fire Safety for Bushwalkers
05 - Places of Last Resort
06 - Bush Fire Alerts
09 - Total Fire Bans
11 - Grass Fires
12 - Prepare. Act. Survive.
Bushfire Safety for Travellers
Lighting a Fire - Quick Facts

BUSH FIRE SAFETY FIREWISE moving towards a FireWise community

Final Call for Nominations for Association Committee

Nominations are closing soon for the 2022/23 Association Committee.

If you are interested in nominating for any of the positions and have questions, please contact one of the current committee members.

The Annual General Meeting (AGM) of Four Wheel Drive NSW & ACT is on Saturday 19 November 2022 at Liverpool Catholic Club. At this meeting the nine Committee positions will be declared vacant.

Nominations are to be in writing on the form on Association website, located on the tab 'Members Only' 'Minutes & Documents' 'Documents – Constitution 2019' 'Nomination Form – Committee Position'
All nominates must be a delegate of a financial NSW/ACT member club.
Delegates may only hold one position on the committee.
Nominations close at 11.59pm on Monday 19 September 2022 and must be received by Secretary no later than this time to be valid.
Forward nomination forms to secretary@4wdnow.com

Nominations from the floor for a position will only be taken if no written nomination received by the due date.

Committee positions

President
The president shall conduct all meetings of the Association and be responsible for the organisation of the Association. The president shall also, after consultation with the committee, guide the Association in matters of policy and its effect.
Vice Presidents
The vice presidents shall assist and advise the president in the performance of his duties. The vice presidents shall also advise the president in matters of policy and its effect.
The current vice presidents are – VP Clubs & VP Lands
Secretary
The secretary shall be responsible for keeping minutes of all committee and general meetings, attend to all Association correspondence and shall administer all Association records.
Treasurer
The treasurer shall be responsible for the handling of all monies of the Association, keep all related records and present a financial statement at each Association general meeting except for any general meeting called in accordance with section 13. The treasurer shall issue tax invoices to member clubs at the end of every financial year. The treasurer shall be responsible for preparation of accounts, income

tax returns and other statutory returns as required.

Executives (General Committee Members)

The 4 executives shall undertake duties that the committee determines from time to time shall best serve the objects of the Association.

The current 4 Executives undertake duties as required.

David Wellham
Election Chair & Returning Officer

Need a ZOOM meeting?

Do you need a zoom meeting for your club?
You are welcome to use the Association account.
Please email Maggie with date, start time and duration.
office@4wdnow.com

This newsletter is written using information provided by relevant parties.
If I write something that mentions "me or I" and there is no signature
after it then it is a message from me.
If you would like something to be added on behalf of your club
please email office@4wdnow.com.
Anything can be included as long as it's club based and for the benefit of clubs.
The newsletter is monthly (about the first of each month) but we can do an
extra "special" if there is something that is important that we missed.
- Maggie Thomas.

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